HOUSE No. 626

By Mr. Atsalis of Barnstable, petition of Demetrius J. Atsalis relative to the penalty for interfering with certain medical personnel in the line of duty. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT MAKING IT A CRIME TO INTERFERE WITH CERTAIN MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
- 2 out section 13I, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition and
- 3 inserting in place thereof the following section:—
- 4 Section 13I. Whoever commits an assault and batter on an
- 5 emergency medical technician, an ambulance operator, registered
- 6 nurse, registered nurse psychologist, physical therapist, occupa-
- 7 tional therapist, ambulance attendant, nurses's aide, diagnostic
- 8 technician including phlebotomists and EKG technician and secu-
- 9 rity officer, while said technician, operator, registered nurse, reg-
- 10 istered nurse psychologist, physical therapist, occupational
- therapist, attendant, nurse's aide, diagnostic technicians, including
- 12 phlebotomists and EKG technicians, radiology technicians and
- 13 security officers is treating or transporting, in the line of duty,
- 14 shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for
- 15 not less than 90 days nor more than 2½ years or by a fine of not
- 16 less than \$500 nor more than \$5,000, or both.